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SUBJECT: FPC HEARINGS ON PACIFIC LIGHTING

1. IN LUNCHEON DECEMBER 22 WITH AMBASSADOR NEWSOM AND COL. BENSON, WIJARSO AND TIRTO EXPRESSED SATISFACTION WITH HEARINGS HELD THAT DAY BEFORE FPC ON PACIFIC LIGHTING (PL) CONTRACT. TIRTO, WHO WAS ON STAND FOR MOST OF HEARING, DESCRIBED PROCEEDINGS AS BUSINESS LIKE AND NOT UNSYMPATHETIC TO INDONESIAN POINT OF VIEW. HE SAID CHAIRMAN CLEARLY GAVE IMPRESSION HE INTENDED TO PRESS MATTER TO EARLY CONCLUSION. (JANUARY 6, 1976 DEADLINE IN PL-PERTAMINA CONTRACT FOR USG APPROVAL WILL BE EXTENDED IN ANY EVENT.)

2. IN RELATED MATTER, WIJARSO TOLD AMBASSADOR THAT GOI WAS INCREASINGLY DISSATISFIED WITH DEALINGS WITH BURMAH TANKERS, AND PARTICULARLY MCMULLEN, AND WERE HOPING TO FIND ALTERNATIVE TO BURMAH DEAL. GENERAL DYNAMICS WAS CLEARLY IN PICTURE WITH IU "IN WINGS." WIJARSO AND TIRTO WERE SCHEDULED TO SEE MARITIME ADMINISTRATION LATER THAT DAY. COL. BENSON SUBSEQUENTLY TOLD AMBASSADOR MEETING WENT "EXTREMELY WELL", BUT GAVE NO DETAILS. ROBINSON

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